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Rural Schemes for Women
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the schemes for women in rural areas and the employment generated thereunder, State/UT-wise;

(b) the details of funds allocated, released and utilised by the States under the scheme State/UT-wise; and

(c) the details of the targets fixed and the achievements made regarding generation of employment opportunities for women in rural areas, State/UT-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
(SHRI SUDARSHAN BHAGAT)

(a) to (c): The Ministry of Rural Development is implementing a number of schemes for improving livelihoods of women in rural areas, the details of which are given below.

Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana − National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAY − NRLM)

The Government is implementing National Rural Livelihoods Mission, renamed as Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana − National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAY − NRLM) across the country in a mission mode with the objective of organizing the rural poor women into Self Help Groups (SHGs), and continuously nurturing and supporting them till they attain appreciable increase in incomes over a period of time and improve their quality of life and come out of abject poverty. It aims to cover all the States and Union Territories (except Delhi and Chandigarh) and seeks to reach out to all rural poor women in a phased manner by the year 2024-25. The SHGs are given the requisite technical and financial support. The financial support given to them is as under:-

(i) Revolving Fund (RF) is given to SHGs at the rate of Rs. 10,000 to Rs. 15,000 per SHG;

(ii) Community Investment Fund (CIF) is allowed upto Rs. 2.50 lakh per SHG;

(iii) Interest Subvention is allowed for a loan up to Rs. 3 lakh to all DAY-NRLM SHG.

A statement indicating statewise physical progress is enclosed as Annexure-I.

The details of funds allocated, released and utilised by the States under DAY-NRLM is enclosed in Annexure-II.

â€¢ Mahila Kisan Sashaktikaran Pariyojana (MKSP) is one of the components of DAY-NRLM to promote agriculture based livelihoods of rural women by strengthening community institutions of poor women farmers to achieve sustainable agriculture. MKSP focusses on agriculture, non-timber forest produces and livestock interventions. Under MKSP 37 lakh mahila kisans are being supported in 17 States with a total outlay of Rs. 908.05 crores. A statement indicating physical and financial progress under MKSP is enclosed in Annexure-III.

â€¢ Rural Self Employment Training Institute [RSETI]is one of the component of DAY-NRLM under which one Rural Self Employment Training Institute [RSETI] is set up in each District of the country in collaboration with the Public sector Banks which aims at creating self employment opportunities among the rural poor, including women. The Government of India provides one time infrastructure support of Rs. 1 crore besides reimbursing the cost of training rural poor candidates at the rate of Rs.200/- per day per candidate. The State Government provides land free of cost or at nominal charges. The Banks are responsible for day to day functioning of the RSETI. RSETIs are expected to train 750 rural poor youth each year, per RSETI, to take up self employment in the area they reside. As on date, 583 RSETIs are functioning in the country. The total number of women trained during the last three years is as under:-

Year Number of women trained

2013-14 214299

2014-15 228400

2015-16 256940

â€¢ Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDU-GKY) is a placement linked skill development program for rural poor

youth under DAY-NRLM. DDU-GKY mandates 33% mandatory coverage of women in all its projects at national Level. The DDU-GKY primarily targets skilling of unemployed youth to improve their employability rather than to crate/generate employment per se.

â€¢ The Start-up Village Entrepreneurship Programme (SVEP) was launched as a sub scheme under the National Rural Livelihoods Mission of the Ministry of Rural Development in June 2015. The scheme has a target of supporting 1.82 lakhs village enterprises and create employment for 3.78 lakh persons in 125 blocks across 24 states in 4 years (2015 to 2019). As of now the SVEP is in the initial stages of implementation and the ministry has approved SVEP implementation in 46 blocks in 16 states. The states are conducting a baseline and market potential study for these blocks.

Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA)

The Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) 2005, guarantees at least 100 days of wage-employment to the rural poor in addition to women of the all States/UTs. MGNREGA is a demand-driven wage employment programme. The number of days of employment provided to a household depends on the number of days of employment demanded by the household. The women person days of employment generated as reported by the States during the last year is given in Annexure-IV.

â€¢ The Ministry has issued guidelines to the states from time to time to facilitate women participation by providing worksite facilities such as crÃ¨ches, drinking water, shade, etc. as per provisions of the Act. It has also been suggested that at least 50% of the worksite supervisors (Mates) at all worksites to be women and special works which require less effort and those that are close to their houses are to be given to pregnant women and lactating mothers. The construction of Anganwadi center has been included as one of the permissible works under the Scheme. The Intensive Participatory Planning Exercise (IPPE) has also been started in 2534 backward blocks to increase the participation of women in planning.

Funds for programme implementation are released to the States after verifying the performance, utilisation of funds released, and as per the agreed Labour Budget. Since this is a demand driven programme, no targets are fixed and no State/UTs- wise allocation of fund is made. State-UT-wise details of amount released and utilised under the MGNREGS during the last year is indicated in Annexure-V.